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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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IN THE SPECIFICATION

At page 1, between the title and the section entitled "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION", insert the following additional section:

REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a continuation-in-part of provisional application No. 60/227,687 filed August 24, 2000.

IN THE CLAIMS

Amend Claims 3, 7-13 and 19 to read as follow:

3. A method according to Claim 2, wherein step (b) comprises the step of:

2 (e) systematically providing on a display screen displaying the given form element an instruction to enter only a positive comment in the given form element.

7. A method according to Claim 6, wherein step (b) comprises the step of:

2 (d) systematically providing on a display screen displaying the given form element an indication that the given form element is for entry of a negative comment.

8. A method according to Claim 7, wherein step (b) comprises the step of:

2 (e) systematically providing on a display screen displaying the given form element an instruction to enter only a negative comment in the given form element.

9. A method according to Claim 6, further comprising the steps of:

2 (d) systematically directing a contributor of a comment, which is in response to a display of the contributed negative comment, to contribute a positive comment for entry into
4 said database by using a computer-displayed form element adapted for receiving said contribution; and

6 (e) providing a bi-directional access link between the display of the contributed negative comment and a display of the contributed positive comment.

10. A method according to Claim 6, wherein the contributed negative comment is also responsive to another positive comment in the database, the method further comprising the step of:

(d) providing a bi-directional access link between a display of the contributed negative comment and a display of the other positive comment.

11. A method according to Claim 10, wherein step (d) comprises the step of:

(e) directing the contributor of the contributed comment, to provide the link recited in step (d) by using a given computer-displayed button.

12. A method according to Claim 6, further comprising the step of:

(d) enabling both comments to be displayed simultaneously in a common screen display.

13. A method according to Claim 6, wherein said positive comments include solution ideas and said negative comments include problem ideas.

19. A medium(media) according to Claim 17, wherein the contributed negative comment is also responsive to another positive comment in the database, and wherein the instructions further cause the computer system to perform the step of:

(d) providing a bi-directional access link between a display of the contributed negative comment and a display of the other positive comment.

Add new Claims 20-24, as follow:

20. A method according to Claim 6, wherein step (b) comprises the step of:

2 (e) systematically providing on a display screen displaying the given form element an instruction to enter only a negtive comment in the given form element.

21. A method according to Claim 1, wherein step (b) comprises the step of:

2 (e) systematically providing on a display screen displaying the given form element an instruction to enter only a positive comment in the given form element.

22. A method according to Claim 5, wherein step (d) comprises the step of:

2 (e) directing the contributor of the contributed comment, to provide the link recited in step (d) by using a given computer-displayed button.

23. A method according to Claim 1, further comprising the step of:

2 (d) enabling both comments to be displayed simultaneously in a common screen display.

24. A method according to Claim 1, wherein said positive comments include solution

2 ideas and said negative comments include problem ideas,

REMARKS

The specification is amended to refer to the provisional application, upon which the priority claim is based.

